

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A hard disk drive, comprising:
a housing;
a motor mounted to the housing;
a disk mounted to the motor, having a hub, and being rotatable relative to the housing;
an actuator mounted to the housing and being movable relative to the disk, the actuator having a head for reading data from and writing data to the disk; and
a cover mounted to the housing for covering the disk and the actuator in the housing, the cover being at least partially transparent for allowing observation of at least some movement inside the housing through the cover during operation of the disk drive.
2. The hard disk drive of claim 1, wherein the cover permits observation of the disk and the actuator.
3. The hard disk drive of claim 1, wherein the cover is completely transparent and clear.
4. The hard disk drive of claim 1, wherein the cover is tinted with a color.
5. The hard disk drive of claim 1, wherein the cover is translucent.
6. The hard disk drive of claim 1, wherein a portion of the cover is structurally reinforced with materials that are opaque.
7. The hard disk drive of claim 1, further comprising a flashing device mounted to the housing for making movement inside the housing appear to move at a speed that is less than an actual speed of the movement.

8. The hard disk drive of claim 7, wherein the flashing device is a stroboscope.
9. The hard disk drive of claim 7, wherein the flashing device makes the disk, the hub, and the actuator appear to move at speeds that are less than their actual speeds.
10. The hard disk drive of claim 1, further comprising decorations on at least one of the disk, the hub, and the actuator, wherein the decorations cause appearance of color, and change and movement of color depending on an angle of observation to additionally contribute to an appearance of the hard disk drive.
11. The hard disk drive of claim 1, further comprising a pattern on at least one of the disk, the hub, the actuator, and the cover to additionally contribute to an appearance of the hard disk drive.
12. The hard disk drive of claim 11, wherein the pattern is a diffraction grating pattern.

13. A hard disk drive, comprising:
 - a housing;
 - a motor mounted to the housing;
 - a disk mounted to the motor, having a hub, and being rotatable relative to the housing;
 - an actuator mounted to the housing and being movable relative to the disk, the actuator having a head for reading data from and writing data to the disk;
 - a cover mounted to the housing for covering the disk and the actuator in the housing, the cover being at least partially translucent for allowing observation of at least some movement of the disk and the actuator inside the housing through the cover during operation of the disk drive;
 - a flashing device mounted to the housing for making movement inside the housing appear to move at a speed that is less than an actual speed of the movement; and
 - a pattern on at least one of the disk, the hub, the actuator, and the cover to additionally contribute to an appearance of the hard disk drive.
14. The hard disk drive of claim 13, wherein the cover is completely transparent and clear.
15. The hard disk drive of claim 13, wherein the cover is tinted with a color.
16. The hard disk drive of claim 13, wherein a portion of the cover is structurally reinforced with materials that are opaque.
17. The hard disk drive of claim 13, wherein the flashing device is a stroboscope.
18. The hard disk drive of claim 13, wherein the flashing device makes the disk, the hub, and the actuator appear to move at speeds that are less than their actual speeds.
19. The hard disk drive of claim 13, further comprising decorations on at least one of the disk, the hub, and the actuator, wherein the decorations cause appearance of color, and change

and movement of color depending on an angle of observation to additionally contribute to an appearance of the hard disk drive.

20. The hard disk drive of claim 13, wherein the pattern is a diffraction grating pattern.